# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer



## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

**Chief Financial Officer** 

DATE: February 3, 2003

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Parking Ticket Adjudication

Hearing Amendment Act of 2003"

**DRAFT:** Draft Legislation

### Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the Parking Ticket Adjudication Hearing Amendment Act of 2003. No additional staff or resources will be required.

#### Background

The proposed amendment to the District of Columbia Traffic Adjudication Act of 1978 gives the hearing examiner adjudicating a parking ticket the discretion to determine whether or not to require the appearance of the issuing officer at the hearing on the violation. Currently, any person denying a parking ticket can request the presence of the issuing officer at the adjudication. If the proposed amendment is enacted, the issuing officer will not be required to appear unless the hearing officer determines that his or her testimony is essential. Instead, a respondent who wants the presence of the issuing officer must make the request at the start of the hearing, and if the hearing officer grants the request, the hearing will be continued.

### **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan because the proposed legislation does not create any additional costs.